

## AMENDMENTS

### *In the Claims*

1. (Original) A method in a computing system for managing inventory, the method comprising:  
extracting inventory balance information in a first form that is associated with a first source computerized inventory management system;  
converting the inventory balance information in the first form into inventory balance information that is in a second intermediate form; and  
converting the inventory balance information in the second intermediate form into inventory balance information in a target form that corresponds to a target computerized inventory management system.
2. (Original) The method of Claim 1, further comprising:  
using the inventory balance information in the target form to update an existing inventory balance record in the target computerized inventory management system.
3. (Original) The method of Claim 1, further comprising:  
extracting inventory balance information in a third form that is associated with a second source computerized inventory management system that is distinct from the first source computerized inventory management system;  
converting the inventory balance information in the third form into inventory balance information that is in the second intermediate form;  
converting the inventory balance information in the second intermediate form into inventory balance information in the target form; and

using the inventory balance information in the target form to update an existing inventory balance record in the target computerized inventory management system.

4. (Original) The method of Claim 1, wherein the second intermediate form includes a list of inventory balances class with a hierarchy of data elements.
5. (Original) The method of Claim 4, wherein the hierarchy of data elements includes a plurality of inventory balance elements that include other elements.
6. (Original) The method of Claim 5, wherein each of the plurality of inventory balance elements includes a related inventory location element for defining related inventory location identifier.
7. (Original) The method of Claim 5, wherein each of the plurality of inventory balance elements includes a list of inventory balance data element for defining a plurality of inventory balance data elements.
- ~~8.~~ 9. (Original) The method of Claim 5, wherein each of the plurality of inventory balance elements includes an inventory balance custom data.
- ~~9.~~ 10. (Original) The method of Claim 7, wherein each of the plurality of inventory balance data elements includes a related product element for defining a product identifier.
- ~~10.~~ 11. (Original) The method of Claim 7, wherein each of the plurality of inventory balance data elements includes a list of balance data element for defining a plurality of balance data elements.
- ~~11.~~ 12. (Currently Amended) The method of Claim ~~[[11]]~~ 10, wherein each of the plurality of balance data elements includes:

a bucket code element;  
a quantity of product element;  
a product unit of measure code element; and  
a balance data custom data element.

**12. ~~13.~~ (Original)** A computer-readable medium carrying one or more sequences of instructions for managing inventory, wherein execution of the one or more sequences of instructions by one or more processors causes the one or more processors to perform:  
extracting inventory balance information in a first form that is associated with a first source computerized inventory management system;  
converting the inventory balance information in the first form into inventory balance information that is in a second intermediate form; and  
converting the inventory balance information in the second intermediate form into inventory balance information in a target form that corresponds to a target computerized inventory management system.

**13. ~~14.~~ (Currently Amended)** The computer-readable medium of Claim ~~[[13]]~~ 12, further comprising:  
using the inventory balance information in the target form to update an existing inventory balance record in the target computerized inventory management system.

**14. ~~15.~~ (Currently Amended)** The computer-readable medium of Claim ~~[[13]]~~ 12, further comprising:

extracting inventory balance information in a third form that is associated with a second source computerized inventory management system that is distinct from the first source computerized inventory management system;  
converting the inventory balance information in the third form into inventory balance information that is in the second intermediate form;  
converting the inventory balance information in the second intermediate form into inventory balance information in the target form; and  
using the inventory balance information in the target form to update an existing inventory balance record in the target computerized inventory management system.

**15. ~~16.~~ (Currently Amended)** The computer-readable medium of Claim ~~[[13]]~~ **12**, wherein the second intermediate form includes a list of inventory balances class with a hierarchy of data elements.

**16. ~~17.~~ (Currently Amended)** The computer-readable medium of Claim ~~[[16]]~~ **15**, wherein the hierarchy of data elements includes a plurality of inventory balance elements that include other elements.

**17. ~~18.~~ (Currently Amended)** The computer-readable medium of Claim ~~[[17]]~~ **16**, wherein each of the plurality of inventory balance elements includes a related inventory location element for defining related inventory location identifier.

**18. ~~19.~~ (Currently Amended)** The computer-readable medium of Claim ~~[[17]]~~ **16**, wherein each of the plurality of inventory balance elements includes a list of inventory balance data element for defining a plurality of inventory balance data elements.

**19. ~~21.~~ (Currently Amended)** The computer-readable medium of Claim ~~[[17]]~~ **16**, wherein each of the plurality of inventory balance elements includes an inventory balance custom data.

**20. ~~22.~~ (Currently Amended)** The computer-readable medium of Claim ~~[[19]]~~ **18**, wherein each of the plurality of inventory balance data elements includes a related product element for defining a product identifier.

**21. ~~23.~~ (Currently Amended)** The computer-readable medium of Claim ~~[[19]]~~ **18**, wherein each of the plurality of inventory balance data elements includes a list of balance data element for defining a plurality of balance data.

**22. ~~24.~~ (Currently Amended)** The computer-readable medium of Claim ~~[[23]]~~ **21**, wherein each of the plurality of balance data elements includes:

- a bucket code element;
- a quantity of product element;
- a product unit of measure code element; and
- a balance data custom data element.

**25 - 32. (Cancelled).**